



MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

These bulletins are purely informational for the maritime community within this Captain of the Port zone. They advise you of emerging information & situations that may impact our Marine Transportation System. As important, they help to manage expectations & facilitate cooperation regarding actions that we may be taking and/or that you may need to employ in the interest of safety/security. Increased vigilance in our maritime world hinges significantly upon proactive engagement & information sharing with the private sector, which has the primary responsibility for security & safety at their waterfront facilities & vessels.

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Date: January 13, 2004

SUBJECT: Scheduled Phone Outage

Group/MSO Long Island Sound will have a scheduled phone outage on January 15th at 1600 local time. We anticipate phone service to be restored no later than January 16th at 0800 local time. In order to respond to distress, search and rescue, marine safety casualties and environmental concerns, an emergency phone number for the duration of the outage has been established. **The emergency phone number is: (203) 468-7026.** In the event the scheduled phone outage lasts beyond the anticipated timeframe, the emergency number will remain in effect until phone service is completely restored. The scheduled telephone outage should not affect Communication Center radios. Therefore, VHF 16 may be used as an alternate form of emergency communication.

If you have any questions regarding this MSIB, please contact the Port Operations Duty Officer at (203) 468-4444.

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